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and the continuance of the disease in any place is so impossible of practicable application in a community of people of the kind that usually live in these infected places, that very little can be hoped for from prophylactic measures which would consist in the segregation of all persons infected with the worm, and the destruction of all the mosquitoes or the prevention of their biting any healthy person—both ideal things but largely impracticable." From the above, you will see that the *causes* of the disease are already known and a Commission to enquire into the *causes* will serve no useful purpose. The matter will be further looked into.

111. The desirability of opening a dispensary at Kumarakam.

Mr. G. A. Baker (Member, Nominated) observed that he did not think it necessary to explain at length the need for a dispensary at Kumarakam. For, it was in recognition of it that the Government had been giving an annual grant of Rs. 100 to the grant-in-aid dispensary that once existed at Kumarakam. Somehow, that institution did not work well. Cholera periodically visited the village and the nearest Sirkar medical institution was about 8 miles away. Though there were several Sirkar hospitals and dispensaries in the State, medical aid had not yet come within easy reach of the interior villages, and the people in and round Kumarakam suffered much for want of a dispensary. He therefore requested the Government to open a dispensary at the place.

Dewan's reply.—The Darbar Physician will be asked to report on the subject.

112. The need for a hospital at Perumbavur.

Mr. Govindan Govindan (Member, Kunnatnad taluk) said that the taluk was densely populated. Owing to the existence of several Sirkar institutions in the taluk and with the opening of a Munsiff's Court recently, the number of people that had to resort to it on business was large. With the growing importance of Kaladi, the influx of pilgrims was also not a negligible factor. Several hospitals and dispensaries were now maintained by the Government all over the State, and the Member had no hesitation in saying that there was not another taluk which had not a Sirkar medical institution. The taluk was to some extent malarious and epidemics also made their appearance periodically. He could not realise why the taluk alone should be neglected in the matter of medical relief. He requested that a hospital be opened at Perumbavur. If, for any reasons, the request could not be granted, he prayed that arrangement might be made to send medicines from the nearest Sirkar hospital to the private medical institution now conducted at Perumbavur.

Dewan's reply.—The Darbar Physician will be asked to inspect the place and report if there is need for a Government medical institution in the taluk.

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113. Certain defects in the Education Code.

Mr. Padmanabhan Parameswaren (Member, Pathanapuram taluk) observed that, in the 7th and 8th sessions of the Assembly, some of the defects of the Education Code were

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